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TODAY'S WEATHER: Light variable winds; fair, with thundery showers developing this evening.
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ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST YUGOSLAVIA POSSIBLE

Ammo Dump Blows Up

Manila, Aug. 10.—Possibly 50 persons were killed or injured today in an ammunition explosion near Batangas, south of Manila, the Bulletin reported.

The Bulletin's correspondent said at least that many Filipinos were watching men trying to remove explosives from a bomb when the bomb went off, touching off other bombs in the dump.—Associated Press.

INVESTITURE OF JULIANA

Becomes Netherlands' Queen On Sept. 6

The Hague, Aug. 10.—At the Royal investiture of Her Royal Highness, Princess Juliana, to Queen of the Netherlands on September 6, the Crown Prince and Princess of Sweden will represent the chief of state.

Among other representatives of chiefs of state will be.

The Crown Prince and Princess of Norway, Prince Axel and Marquess of Denmark.

Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret Rose will represent the King of England. His Royal Highness Prince Jean, the heir to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, will represent the Grand Duchess of Luxembourg.

Princess Juliana takes over after Queen Wilhelmina's official abdication on September 4.

The installation of the new Queen will be an "investiture" and not a coronation. A coronation is a religious dedication which can only be performed by the authorities of a state church which Holland has not in contrast with Great Britain and the Scandinavian countries.—Associated Press.

Ship In Distress

Mexico City, Aug. 10.—The Mexican Navy Department picked up distress signals tonight from the British freighter Graystone Castle, a vessel of 6,089 tons.

She was reported to be drifting dangerously off the coast of West Mexico.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

Palestine's Refugees

THE "Palestine question" has entered a new phase. But the difficulties now are no less than they were previously. Some of the Arab statesmen may have realized that the establishment of some form of a Jewish state is an irrevocable fact, since there is no possibility of their being permitted, even if they were able, to overthrow it by force. But on the other hand, Jewish claims are beginning to increase. The familiar argument is heard that on strategic grounds the frontiers of "Israel" must be changed and its territory increased in order to provide security against possible future Arab aggression. Extremist Zionist organisations reiterate their claim that all Palestine must be included in the Jewish state. And there is now the further complication of Arab refugees who have fled from Jewish-controlled areas. This, as Britain's U.N. representative, Sir Alexander Cadogan, has pointed out to the Security Council, is now a "major factor in the Palestine problem" as well as a tragedy of human suffering. The flight began in April when the Jews took over control of Jaffa and Haifa. A Jewish Agency spokesman has described it as the result of a flight psychosis: "fear" is a franker word. Fear—even if unreasoning fear—developed into panic. And nothing was done by the new authorities to allay it. In those months of the spring and early summer nearly the whole Arab population of Jewish-controlled territory fled, taking with them what they could carry, leaving their homes, their jobs, their land. Estimates of the total number of these refugees vary, and there are no accurate figures. The lowest assessment is 250,000; and even this is greater than the total number of Jewish "displaced persons" in

Arab Policy On Palestine

Cairo, Aug. 10.—The Arab League Secretariat has decided to summon a meeting of its Political Committee near the end of August to formulate a common Arab policy on Palestine for the September session of the United Nations General Assembly in Paris. It was announced here tonight.

Date and place of the meeting are still to be settled, but it is expected to be held on August 20 in either Alexandria or Beirut.

The Committee is expected to review in detail the military problem as well as political and international aspects of the Holy Land situation, and take a final decision on the recent Jewish offer of peace negotiations.

The belief is gaining ground in Cairo that the offer will be rejected because it would imply recognition of the State of Israel.—Reuter.

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The sanctions will probably not involve an open repudiation of the trade treaties which Yugoslavia has concluded with practically all the countries behind the "iron curtain."

TECHNICAL OBSTACLES

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STRIKE THREAT: TROOPS STAND BY

Bombay, Aug. 10.—Military pickets were posted in Bombay's sprawling textile mill area tonight. Additional police were rushed to the area in preparation for a likely strike of the mill workers tomorrow. The strike is sponsored by the Socialist Party with Communist support.

The strike, originally called to secure a reduction in the number of looms per weaver from six to four in two local mills, has since developed into a move to assert "the right to strike."—Reuter.

TITO PUT ON THE SPOT

Prague, Aug. 10.—The Eastern European Governments are considering economic pressure on Yugoslavia, it was reliably learned here today. The Cominform's quarrel with Marshal Tito and the Yugoslav Communists, hitherto kept carefully on party level, is becoming an affair of Governments.

Czechoslovakia, it was stated here, is already tightening up controls on trade with Yugoslavia. A reliable informant said the controls will amount to sanctions.

Yugoslavia will, in future, have "great difficulty" in securing import permits from Czechoslovakia, and Czechoslovakia trading corporations—all now under State control—will hold up exports to Yugoslavia except for the fulfilment of partly completed orders for goods which cannot be disposed of elsewhere.

The reaction here is regretful. Many plans are having to be altered to meet the new circumstances, but well informed sources say there is no alternative.

LAND & AIR ACTION IN MALAYA

Insurgents Pursued Into Jungle

Kuala Lumpur, Aug. 10.—British air and land forces have razed the Communist stronghold of Pulai, northeastern Malaya, and are pursuing the insurgent forces into the jungle, it was reported here tonight.

Pulai is almost in the centre of the peninsula, in the south of Kelantan State, some 200 miles north of Singapore.

British Gurkha and Malayan patrols have so far tracked down about 1,000 insurgents, and their wives and families. They have already reached Semur and Tuning, two villages several miles south of Pulai.

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Students Demand Redress

Nanking, Aug. 11.—Manchurian and North China student groups, now in Nanking seeking redress of the recent Peiping incident of July 5, in which seven students were killed in a clash with police, yesterday demanded capital punishment for those who fired the fatal shots.

Emerging agitated from a meeting in which they were joined by sympathetic members of the Legislative and Control Yüans, the students made public their demands which included: 1—Erection of a memorial for the dead; 2—Unconditional release of students arrested during the incident; 3—Compensation for losses sustained by the students; and, 4—Lifting of martial law imposed immediately after the incident.—Reuter.

Prisoner Of War Treatment: New Convention Sought

Stockholm, Aug. 10.—A new convention for the Protection of Civil Population, revision of the Geneva conventions dealing with the treatment of prisoners of war and an active Red Cross campaign will be discussed by the 17th International Red Cross Conference in Stockholm on August 20 to 30.

Mr Fred G. Sigerist, Director of the Bureau of Information of the League of Red Cross Societies, said today 300 delegates and 300 observers of roughly 60 countries will approach the question of maintaining peace as one of the major problems today.

"Red Cross Societies first of all promote peace through their work," he said. "However, we will now also think over thoroughly whether anything can be done for international peace."

Mr Ian Van den Bosch, Secretary of the Information department of the Permanent International Red Cross Commission, said the experiences of World War II will be the basis for the conference deliberations, particularly as to a new convention to protect civil populations in war.—United Press.

Russian Spy Paid U.S.\$2,000

Handed Money Over To The FBI

Washington, Aug. 10.—The chairman of the House Un-American Activities Committee, Representative J. Parnell Thomas, said today that Elizabeth Bentley, self-confessed ex-Soviet spy, was paid US\$2,000 by a "high representative of the Russian Government" late in October, 1945.

Rep. Thomas said at a press conference that Miss Bentley was handed \$2,000 in \$20 bills on a street corner in New York, "by a person she knew as L. Z. Zald," but that it had been determined that this person was a high representative of the Soviet Government.

Miss Bentley in turn handed this money over to agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and it was never impounded.

"During this time, Miss Bentley was working in complete co-operation with agents of the Government."

The Soviet payment to Miss Bentley was reported earlier by Committee members who had asked that their names be withheld. These sources also reported that she had received the Red Star award, voted to her by the Supreme Soviet Council.

Rep. Thomas would not confirm or deny the Red Star award. He said Miss Bentley would be put on the stand tomorrow to tell the whole story.—United Press.

A "SUPER-SECRET"

Washington, Aug. 10.—Elizabeth Bentley, told the House Un-American Activities Committee today that China-born Duncan Lee, wartime official of the super-secret Office of Strategic Services (OSS), told her in October 1945 that there was something "super-secret" at Oak Ridge, Tennessee—the site of the major atomic energy plant.

However, she added that Lee was unaware of what was going on at Oak Ridge.

The Tennessee plant is where Uranium-235, the atomic bomb explosive, is separated from non-explosive kinds of uranium.

Earlier, on the witness stand, Duncan Lee denied that he had ever given confidential Government information to Miss Bentley.—United Press.

Shanghai Police Arrest Suspects

Shanghai, Aug. 11.—The Economic Police arrested 25 Chinese yesterday afternoon on suspicion that they had dealt in foreign currency transaction.

The arrested who are alleged to have sent to Hongkong sums amounting to nearly HK\$1,000,000 and CN\$10 billion will be charged before a special criminal tribunal as soon as preliminary investigations are completed.

The roundup is reported to have followed police interception of radio-grams dispatched to Hongkong over clandestine radio stations.—Reuter.

Insurgents Take Burmese Town

Rangoon, Aug. 10.—Insurgents have captured Thangwa, a town about five miles off Kayin and about 30 miles from Rangoon, according to reports published by Rangoon newspapers today.

The reports said that several government officials escaped and added that the town's police chief and the District Commissioner are in Rangoon. They also said that the Premier's bodyguard has joined the rebels. The reports were not confirmed by the Government.

Associated Press.

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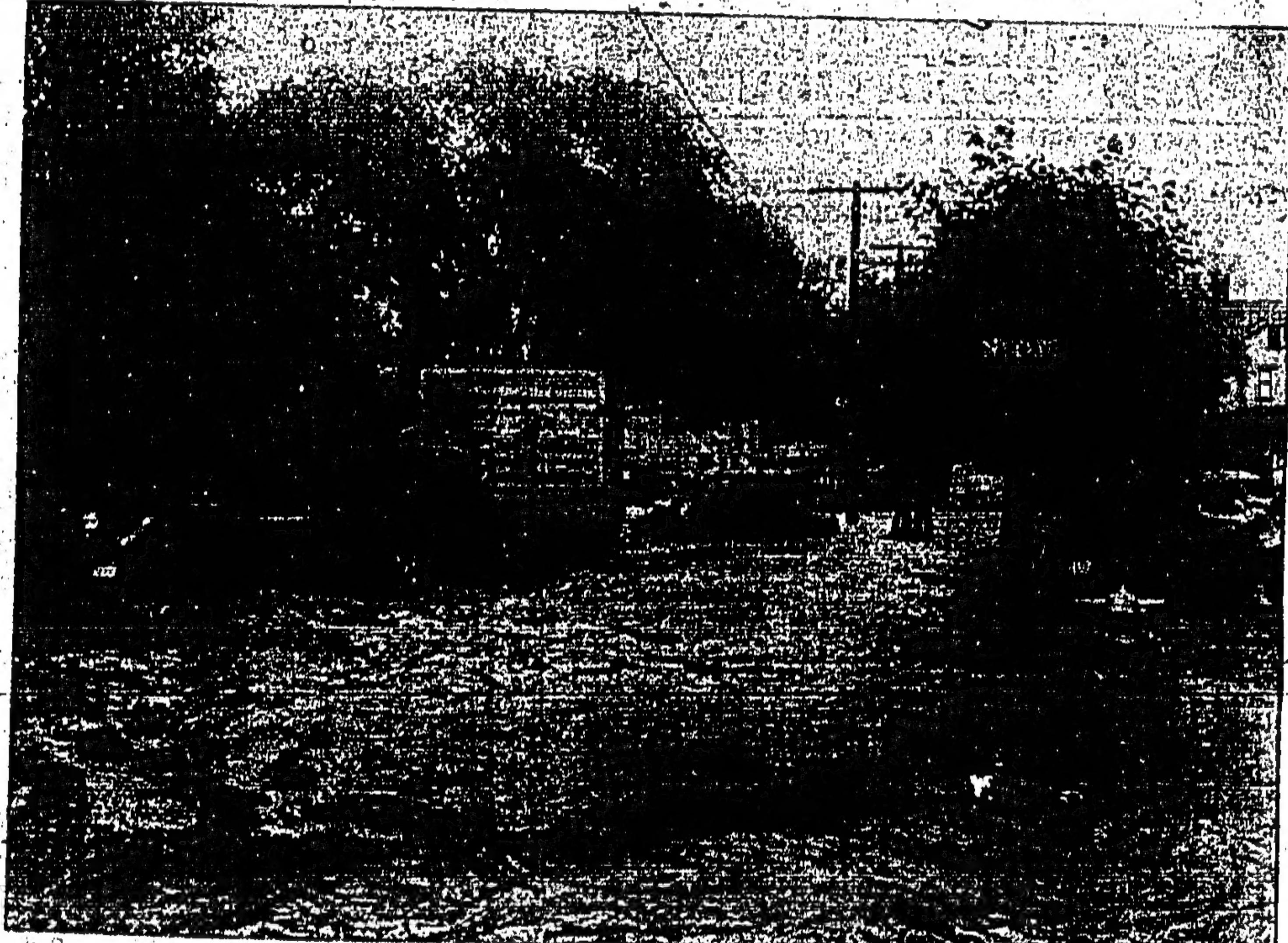
REAL CHORUS LINES NOW—Students of most men's colleges in America no longer have to impersonate chorus girls in their annual plays. They can now call on the services of their wives, as did the ex-GIs of Colgate's Masque and Triangle Club. The girls are seen rehearsing for their number in the musical comedy, "The Grass Is Always Greener," while Robert A. Lippman, composer of the 15 musical numbers, directs.



WHOOPS!—Richard Berry takes one on the noggin with eyes closed, but chin up, in his bout with Richard Bequette at the Boys' Club of Hollywood. The bouts were held during an "open house" day.



ELECTION RETURNS—The Lord Mayor of London (right), is ceremoniously escorted to the Guildhall to hear the results of elections for two new sheriffs in London.



FLASH FLOOD—The overflow of the Tory Creek caused this scene in the main street of Mohawk, New York. Traffic came to a virtual standstill. Water, reported to be more than three feet deep, swirled through the city. The flash flood was the result of a severe rain storm that lashed most of central New York State.



SHERIFF'S PLANES ON PATROL—Planes of a sheriff's aero squadron seen flying over Lake Mead and Boulder Hoover Dam. Formed last March at Las Vegas, Nevada, the squadron patrols more than 8,000 square miles, over some of America's most desolate areas. The planes have sought rustlers and people lost in the desert.



BLOOMERALL GIRL—This new fashion for junior misses from three to six, called a bloomeral, has the look of yesteryear. It's designed to give much-needed protection to small knees and legs. The "pants" are sold separately to match little "new look" dresses, blouses or "ice" skirts.

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ARAB MASCOT LEARNS MACHINE GUN—An 11-year-old Arab boy, mascot of the Arab Liberation Army, learns how to operate a machine gun. The soldier is from the Jerusalem district branch of the Army.

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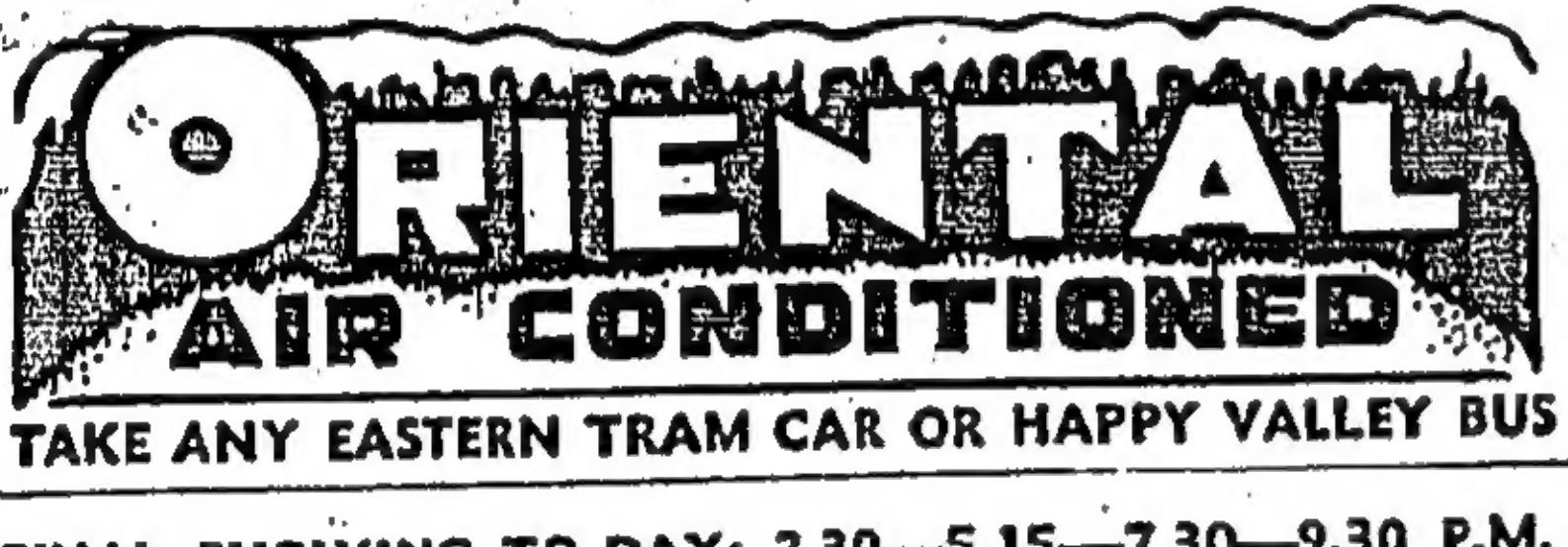
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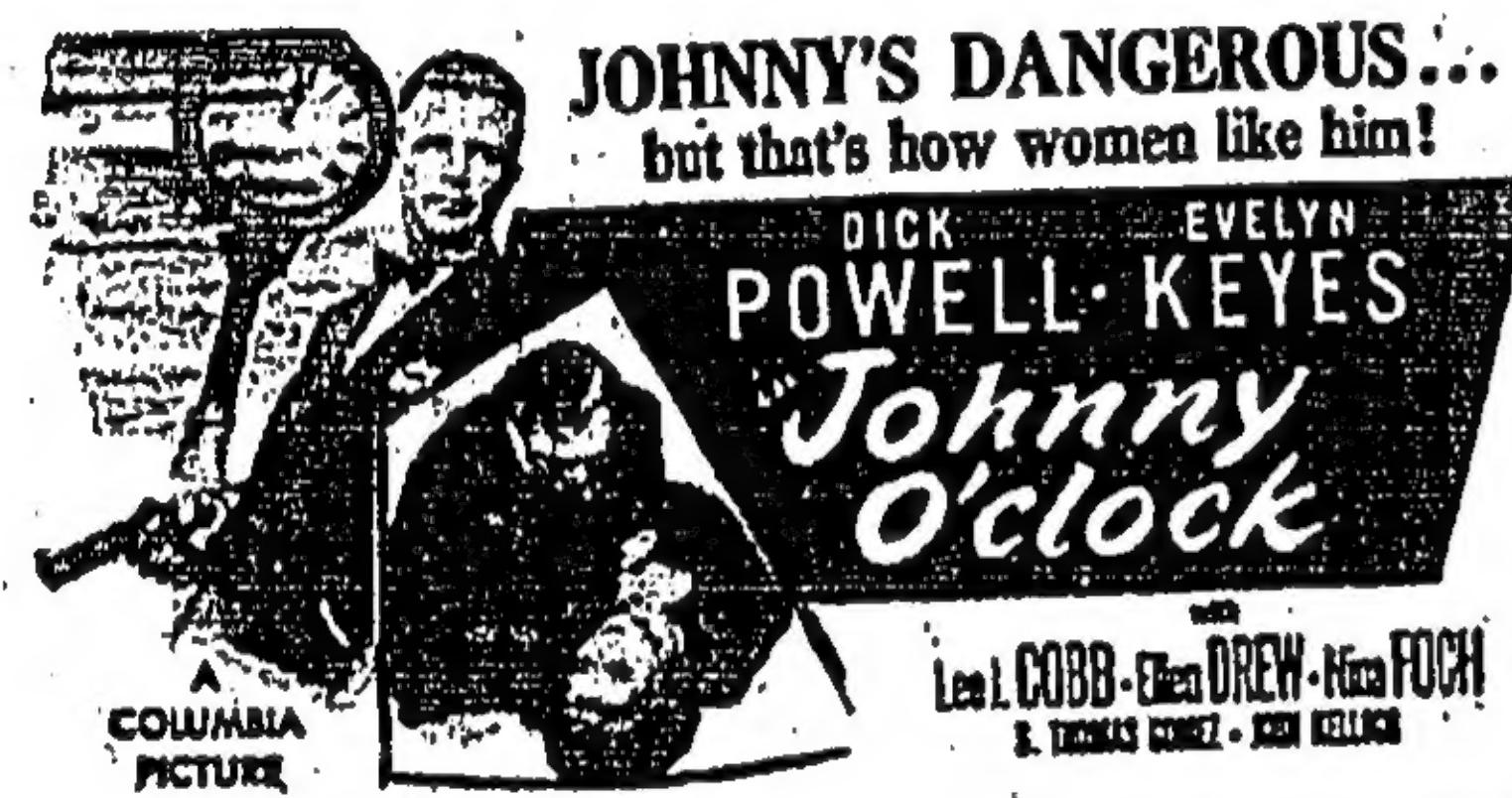
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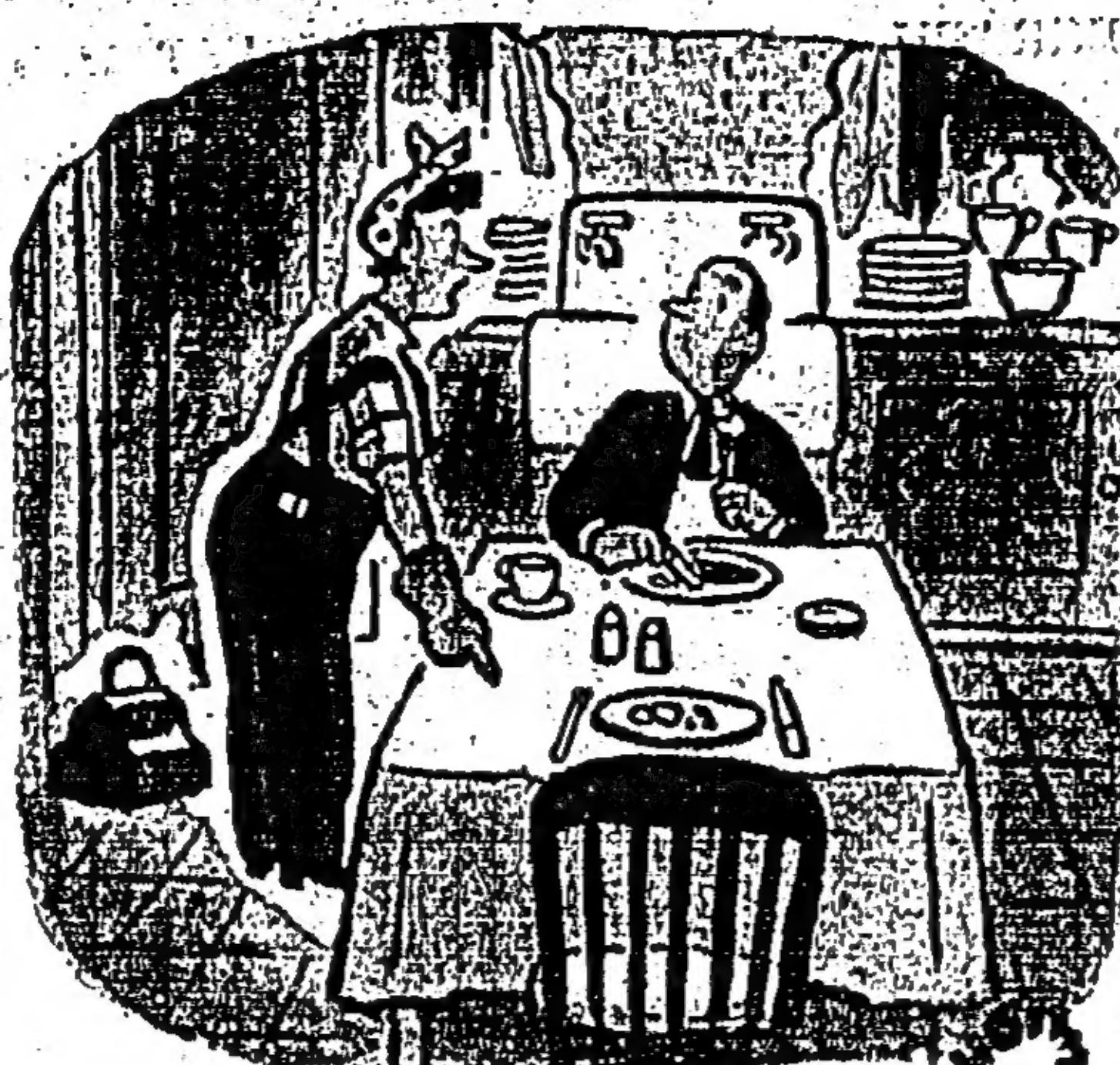
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3000 delegates in search of a leader

[Editor's Note: — Mr. St Laurent was chosen during the past week-end to head the Liberal Party of Canada, succeeding Mr. Mackenzie King. This article, written at the end of July, has just been received; it gives useful information about a personality little known here.]

CANADIAN Liberals will choose a new leader for themselves and a new Prime Minister for Canada early in August at the biggest political convention in Canada's history.

Three thousand delegates and party boosters from all parts of the country will converge on Ottawa to select a successor to Prime Minister Mackenzie King, to draft a new Liberal Party platform, and to review the state of the party's organisation.

It was not long before St. Laurent was doing Lapointe's job in the political as well as the administrative field—a fact which is now one of the chief things in favour of his candidature. Many Liberals believe he is the only man who can hold Quebec and keep the party in power.

The convention will see the French-speaking delegates solidly behind St. Laurent. He will also have strong English-Canadian support.

St. Laurent is not actively seeking the leadership, although other powerful party men are working hard in his interests. He announced last autumn that he would accept the leadership if the convention offered it with reasonable unanimity, but warned that he would withdraw if his candidature threatened to split the party along racial lines.

On the other hand, Gardiner is not sparing himself in an aggressive campaign to obtain a majority at the convention.

He is the Minister who negotiated the food contracts with Britain, a former premier of Saskatchewan, and has been in politics since 1914.

When he came to Ottawa in 1935 as Minister of Agriculture it was with the thought in mind that some day he might succeed to the Prime Ministership. He made this too apparent, and incurred Mr. King's displeasure.

He had a rough-and-ready politician, a Left Wing Liberal, while St. Laurent belongs to the Right Wing.

Months of jockeying for position by the various aspirants, both in the open and, more subtly, behind closed doors, have reduced the "field" to four or five, with two members of the present ministry conceded to have the best chances.

They are the Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Louis Stephen St. Laurent, and the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. James Garfield Gardner.

St. Laurent is the odds-on favourite, despite the fact that at 60 he is nearly two years older than Gardner and far less of a politician.

He has strong popular support, and the backing of many influential men in the party, including Mr. King's. Actually he has been heir-apparent since November, 1946, when Mr. King persuaded him to remain in the government rather than return to his more remunerative law practice.

None is thought to have much chance while St. Laurent remains in the race.

If a religious issue forces St. Laurent to withdraw, it is believed he will swing his support behind Hon. Paul Martin, Minister of National Health and Welfare.

Martin who is 45, is of French Canadian descent, but is from an English-speaking Ontario constituency. It is felt that he might be more acceptable to English Canada, and yet hold Quebec. Among "dark horses" in the race are Mr. Douglas Abbott, aged 49, Minister of Finance; Mr. Brooke Claxton, aged 60, Minister of National Defence; Mr. Stuart Garrison, aged 49, Premier of Manitoba; and Mr. Angus Macdonald, aged 58, Premier of Nova Scotia.

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Sitting under a tree, studying a map by the light of a flickering lamp, was a sturdy grey-haired man dressed in plain dark clothes. He rose and came forward to meet me, his blue eyes alert.

He had straight, regular features and a determined manner. We shook hands and sat down.

A partisan, his Schmeisser sub-machine gun slung across his back, brought a bottle of plum-brandy. Soon we were deep in conversation.

It was Tito, finally, who displayed qualities of military and political leadership and skill which, already in 1943, left little doubt that he and the movement at whose head he stood must in the long run be the masters of Yugoslavia.

Tito—the man who is challenging Stalin

Marshal Tito, Stalin's rival in Yugoslavia, has been blackballed by the Kremlin on charges of having dared to deviate from Kremlin policy.

In a speech subsequently, variously estimated to have lasted between eight and 10 hours, he accepted the challenge and disputed the charges.

His refusal to bend to the Kremlin is the biggest upset Russian Communism has yet had to face.

Hero Brigadier Fitzroy Maclean, M.P., head of the British mission to Tito's partisans in 1943-5, describes the personality of this remarkable figure and the intriguing situation that is developing.

By BRIGADIER FITZROY MACLEAN, M.P.

AS I dangled from my parachute, swinging slowly backwards and forwards in midair, the secluded Bosnian valley towards which I was descending looked dim and mysterious in the pale light of the moon.

No less mysterious was the personality of the man I had come to find. All that I knew of Tito was that he was supposed to be a Communist, and this was borne out by the red star, with its hammer and sickle, stitched to the caps of the partisans who clustered round me when I landed.

I was struck, too, by the intense pride which he took in the successes of his partisans and in the fact that they owed these successes to no one except themselves—not even Moscow.

ATMOSPHERE Of fear, suspicion

As the night wore on, our talk drifted away from the immediate military problems which we had been discussing, and Tito, unbending, told me something of his past.

It had been the life of a professional revolutionary, in and out of prison, in hiding, in exile; the life of a loyal servant of the Communist International. Of this he made no secret.

All had one thing in common: their terror of responsibility, their reluctance to think for themselves, their blind, unquestioning obedience to a party line dictated by higher authority, the terrible atmosphere of fear and suspicion which pervaded their lives. Was Tito going to be that sort of Communist? It seemed only too likely.

Next evening, in the gathering darkness, after a journey through wild mountain country, avoiding as far as possible areas regularly patrolled by the enemy, I reached the ruined castle where the partisans had their headquarters high on a hill above the river.

A sentry, stepping from the shadows, challenged me, and then, on receiving the password, guided me through the crumpling walls to where a light was showing.

READINESS To discuss matters

Sitting under a tree, studying a map by the light of a flickering lamp, was a sturdy grey-haired man dressed in plain dark clothes. He rose and came forward to meet me, his blue eyes alert.

For as things turned out, it was to Tito, as secretary of the party, that fell four years later the task of organizing resistance to the invaders of Yugoslavia.

It was Tito who, given this task, showed himself capable of building from nothing a guerrilla force capable of containing 15 enemy divisions.

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There remains another possibility—a highly intriguing one. Tito may have been encouraged to act as he did by the knowledge that there were dissident elements in the Kremlin and that his attitude, though perhaps not officially approved, would command powerful, and in the long run possibly decisive, support.

If this is so, the present crisis in the affairs of the Cominform may be the first outward sign of a rift in the Communist High Command, of an internal conflict on the outcome of which the future course of events in Europe will largely depend.

By Ernie Bushmiller



Human experience shapes human character. The impact of events on the individual cannot be left out of account. It would indeed have been astonishing if Tito had emerged at the end of those strenuous and stirring years completely unchanged in outlook and stature.

The question is how far his war experience has undermined a mental habit painfully and rigorously built up over twenty years. Which will prevail in the end?

The humble functionary of the Kremlin? Or the guerilla leader, the great national figure?

Tito may capitulate yet. Independence, once forfeited, is hard to regain. But, so far, in his clash with the Cominform and with the Soviet Communist Party, he has shown an independence incompatible with the role of a mere puppet.

To the charge that he is a deviationist, his answer has been that he is right and the others wrong.

FOLLOWERS Rally round him

To the suggestion that the Yugoslav Partisans had an exaggerated idea of their own achievements during the war, he has replied with fresh panegyrics of their exploits. Finally, to the summons to "healthy elements" in Yugoslavia to overthrow him, he has responded by rallying his followers around him.

This is a far call from the abject confessions of the great Moscow treason trials: from the alacrity with which our own domestic Communists change their whole line at a nod from the Kremlin.

And indeed, Tito's case is different. He stands in his own country at the head of a large and well-trained army, forged with his own hands in the furnace of war, surrounded by men whose loyalty is to him personally.

One thing is certain. The pundits of the Kremlin cannot tolerate such insubordination without serious loss of authority.

DEADLY BLOW To whole system

If they welcome an unrepentant Tito back into the fold on his own terms, they will be dealing a deadly blow to the doctrine of absolute infallibility on which their whole system depends.

Nor can they abandon their control over Yugoslavia without sacrificing a vital strategic advantage.

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China To Ask More Aid If Republicans Are In Power Next Year

Washington, Aug. 10.—The US\$125,000,000 military aid fund is expected to be available to China by January, and if the Republican Party is then in power the Nationalist Government of China will make a new demand for a larger appropriation to fight Communism, according to informed sources here.

If the programme is expanded, there is a good chance it will follow the Greek and Turkish plans of having "instructors" in the field with the troops.

Observers believe that, despite evidence that the Truman administration is speeding up aid after four months' delay, the United States still has, for practical purposes, two policies on China.

One is full aid to the Chiang Government, which Congress favours under the leadership of Senator Styles Bridges and Representative Walter Judd.

The other is the Truman administration policy, granting limited aid.

As Senator Bridges put it, "The policy which this Government has pursued in China in the last few years cannot by any stretch of language be termed bi-partisan policy."

NEW POLICY HOPE

Senator Bridges said he hoped the administration had started a new policy. But, he added, if this were true, then the Truman administration had been "forced" by Congressional action."

On his party, President Truman has said that the military aid programme "shall not be construed as expressed or implied assumption by the United States of any responsibility for policies, aims or undertakings of the Republic of China, or for conditions which may prevail in China at any time."

This statement was regarded in informed circles as important and an indication that the administration had had reservations about the Nationalist Government.

One of the facts which convinced Senator Bridges and others of his view in Congress that aid to China would be well spent was the report which Lt.-Gen. Albert Wedemeyer gave in a secret session several months ago to the Appropriations Committees of both the Senate and the House.

MORE OPTIMISTIC

The Wedemeyer "formula" included more active "training" for troops by the United States.

It was learned that the Secretary of the Army, Mr Kenneth Royall, had now become increasingly optimistic about prospects for a Nationalist victory.

Since July 23, China has been able to purchase US\$50,000,000 worth of military goods from the United States armed forces. Informed quarters said, however, that the Nationalist Government was still having difficulty in getting all the aviation gasoline it wanted. This made about one-third of the first allotment.

Reportedly, the hurdle is in the Commerce Department's Export Licensing Division. The Department has not yet announced China's quota for the three months July, August and September, but in the first three months of this year China's aviation gasoline quota was 80,000 barrels and for the second quarter the quota was raised to 100,000 barrels.

SUBJECT TO CONTROL

Shipments of aviation gasoline and other petroleum products under the aid programme are subject to Commerce Department export control, despite the fact that the aid programme was created by special legislation.

The Department said the delay in announcing the third-quarter quota was explained simply by the fact that the United States' own needs were expanding rapidly under heavy demands. It said demands from all countries were progressively heavier and the decision on how oil exports would be allocated must be made on the "highest" governmental level.—United Press.

Chiang Kai-Shek In Kuling

Nanking, Aug. 11.—China's political centre began to shift towards Kuling, summer capital, following the arrival there of President Chiang Kai-shek.

High Government officials who are expected to go to Kuling before President Chiang returns to Nanking at the end of this month include the Premier, Dr Wong Yung-ho, the Finance Minister, Dr Wang Yung-wu, the Foreign Minister, Dr Wang Shih-chieh, and the Kuomintang Secretary General, Mr Wu Teh-chen.

Meanwhile, Mr Hsiao Lan-yu, Deputy Secretary General of the Kuomintang, denied a local report that a final conference on economic reforms would be held in Kuling in the middle of August.—Reuter-AFP.

Can't Agree On U.N. Army

Lake Success, Aug. 10.—The United Nations Military Staff Committee reported to the Security Council today that it had reached a complete stalemate regarding the establishment of a United Nations armed force. It asked the Council to deal with the matter.

The Committee had been trying to establish such a force for the past two years. The Committee reported that the Big Five—China, the United States, Russia, Britain and France—could still not agree on the overall strength and composition of the proposed army. Neither could they agree on the type of forces each government should contribute.

MARINE COURT Dynamite Used For Fishing

As it was the first case of its kind to come before the Marine Court, the master of a Class IV boat was fined \$30 or six days by Mr Cairns this morning for using explosives in fishing. Future cases would not be dealt with so leniently, added Mr Cairns.

Sub-Inspector Nippard reported that defendant was arrested as the result of a telephone call from a watchman who had seen defendant using some kind of explosive. When Police boarded the vessel nothing but a small fuse (exhibited in Court) was found. Defendant pleaded guilty to the charge, but said that he had used a very small amount of dynamite and did not think it was serious. SI Nippard recalled that a number of serious accidents had been caused by this practice recently.

Imposing the fine, Mr Cairns said that the use of any explosive whatsoever in the waters of the Colony was prohibited by law.

EXCESS PASSENGERS

For carrying seven excess passengers, the mistress of a sampan was fined \$50 or 10 days. She pleaded that she had forgotten to count the number of persons.

ARRIVAL NOT REPORTED

For failing to report the arrival of his vessel immediately to the Marine Department, the coxswain of the motor vessel Yu King was fined \$200 or two months.

Sub-Inspector Nippard reported that the boat had put in at Cheung Chau harbour from Kwangchowwan and had discharged five passengers. The boat then proceeded to Hong Kong and tied up at the Cheung Chau ferry wharf. Defendant made no attempt to report the arrival, nor did his agent. It was only as the result of a report from the Cheung Chau Police Station that a search was made here and the boat found at the wharf. It was discovered that the licence had been taken by the agent to the Chinese Maritime Customs to obtain a clearance before the arrival was reported.

Defendant stated that he had told the Customs agent to report to the Marine Department. Mr Cairns pointed out that it was the responsibility of the captain of a vessel.

LICENCES NOT PRODUCED

Three lightermen were each fined \$20 or four days for failing to produce their licences on demand.

Western Powers Overruled

On Danube Issue

Belgrade, Aug. 10.—Eastern Europe's Communist bloc today overruled the first major Western power attempt to broaden the terms of a new Danubian river pact with stronger guarantees for free and non-discriminatory navigation.

By a vote of seven to three, the conference rejected a French attempt to substitute a preamble of its own for the one prepared by Russia.

The controversy centred chiefly around a French move to omit from the preamble a Russian clause which would place the conference on record as recognising the "sovereign rights" of the Danubian states on the river.

The French would also have placed the conference on record as favouring a "liaison between a new Danubian commission and the United Nations."

The conference then turned to the amendments suggested by the United States delegation in the preamble. Chief of these was one which would register a conference requirement that the interests "of all nations" be protected in the operation of the pact.—Associated Press.

Crime To Cost More

Shanghai, Aug. 11.—The Shanghai District Court finally took notice of China's inflation. It revised the rate of court fines which has been outdated by the devaluation of paper currency.

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The new rate: CN\$10,000 (U.S.\$0.00) a day.—Associated Press.



Van Heutsz Piracy Trial Continues

Evidence of arrest of the first accused was given by a Chinese detective constable when the trial of four men for piracy of the 4,500-ton Dutch motor vessel Van Heutsz on the high seas off the China coast in December last was continued before Sir Leslie Gibson, Chief Justice, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The accused are Ling Cheuk-wah,

40, unemployed; Keung King-chung,

alias Lui Pui, 45, travelling trader;

Ling Chan-kai, alias Wing Cheung,

20, travelling trader; and Chan Chung-man, alias Chan Chih, 30.

They are charged with piracy

in that on December 14, 1947, upon the high seas they

assaulted and put in fear of their

lives. Capt. Klans Albertus Vlieks,

master of the Van Heutsz, other

officers, the crew and certain pas-

sengers (names unknown) and stole

from the master the ship's motor-

boat, seven revolvers, six pistols,

five rifles, two sub-machine guns,

3,160 rounds of ammunition, \$675,

Strato \$175, Dutch guilders 350 and

a rucksack; from Capt. Vlieks an Omega wrist watch, one pair binoculars, a fountain pen; and from Cheng Tim-wee a European style suit.

Mr A. Lonsdale (Crown Counsel)

is prosecuting, assisted by Mr L. R.

Whitton, Acting DCI. The accused are represented by Mr C. E. Loseby,

instructed by Mr C. A. S. Russ.

FOUR PAWNTICKETS

Det. Constable Chan Keung said he arrested first accused on the

second floor of an address in

Queen's Road West at 4.20 a.m. on

April 22. A search was made of his

belongings and four pawntickets

were found.

Det. Constable Lui Luk said that

one of the pawntickets was for a

trial is proceeding.

Considered He Was Jap Subject

Los Angeles, Aug. 10.—American-born Tomoya Kawakita today said he considered himself a Japanese subject during the war and did not owe allegiance to the United States.

The 26-year-old Nisei testified for the first time in the treason case against him. He is also charged with ill-treating prisoners of war.

Kawakita said he was following orders in camp and did nothing on his own initiative. He denied that he had ill-treated American prisoners of war for failure to fill their rice quotas.

"Several times I performed acts of friendship to American prisoners," he said.—United Press.

Sleeping Sickness Among Cadets

Shanghai, Aug. 11.—Chinese despatches from Chengtu today said cases of sleeping sickness have been reported among cadets of Chengtu Military Academy. Reports gave no figures.

Doctor Paihsin, medical officer of the Academy said the disease belongs to the so-called Japanese "B"

type which is more deadly than the St Louis "B" type.

The Japanese type has a death rate of 60 to 70 per cent compared to 20 per cent of the St Louis type.—Associated Press.

He Believes In Find-Ems, Keep-Ems

Shanghai, August 11.—A ringleader of a gangster gang has appealed to Mayor K. C. Wu of Shanghai for return of a diamond he found in the garbage can.

The ringleader, un-named in a police report issued yesterday, had tried to sell the diamond.—Associated Press.

PROTEST REQUEST

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Rescue workers and curious persons gather around wreckage of Rimouski Air Lines DC3 which crashed on Gaspe Peninsula on the Gulf of St Lawrence killing 29 persons. It was Canada's worst air crash. The plane was en route from Anticosti Island to Gaspe. —AP Picture.

RESISTANCE GROUP ROUNDED UP

Soviet Police Act In Uranium Mine

Berlin, Aug. 10.—The Soviet secret police were reported today to have arrested 38 members of a German resistance group operating inside uranium ore mines in the Erz mountains near the Czech border.

Western Allied sources close to the problem of Russian relations in Germany reported the discovery of an underground organisation in the uranium mines where Soviet work has been carried out under one of the most rigid postwar security controls.

Information reached Western

sources that the resistance group had established an underground railway for escape to Western Germany of slave labourers in the mines.

RESISTANCE CELL

The underground leadership was said to be in the hands of the members of the "Free Germany" group organised by the Soviet as an anti-Nazi element. The leader was Marshal Friedrich von Paulus, commander of the German Sixth Army which was destroyed at Stalingrad.

A resistance cell in the mine was reported to have engaged in certain sabotage such as mining machinery before the Soviet secret police arrested the leaders.

The same Allied sources received reports that month ago, the Soviet military court convicted 21 Germans of bombing the Soviet Army and Communist headquarters in Saxony. Most of them were reportedly to have been sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment which is the maximum penalty since the abolition of the death penalty by the Soviets.—United Press.

Resignation Threat Denied

Washington, Aug. 10.—Mr Charles Ross, President Truman's Press Secretary, denied reports in the New York Star today that the Secretary of State, Mr George Marshall, had threatened to resign if the President insisted upon adopting a three-point pro-Israel plan.

Asked if President Truman had such a plan, Mr Ross declined to comment. The Star had said that the President, at a recent meeting with his closest political advisers, advocated a programme for

American relations with Israel which would include granting \$100 million in loans, giving Israel due recognition and supporting her application for membership in the United Nations.

The New York Star is the successor paper to Mr Marshall Field's former evening paper called PM. It is now under a new management.—Reuter.

INCREASING POPULATION

Yokohama, Aug. 10.—American consular officials reported today that nearly 2,000 children per year are being born to American occupation personnel in Japan and Okinawa.

The officials said a total of 910 children were reported as being born to American occupation personnel during the first six months of 1948.

Boys outnumbered girls by 472 to 444, or 51.8 per cent boys compared with 48.2 per cent girls.

Of the total, 894 per cent were born to army officers and enlisted personnel, 20.4 per cent to air force personnel, 17.8 per cent to navy department civilian employees and 2.6 per cent to navy personnel.

The total included five pairs of twins.—United Press.

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SOVIETS LIFT IRON CURTAIN ON SPORT

Surprise Delegation Arrives At London Basketball Federation Conference

London, Aug. 10.—The Russians ended their boycott of international basketball today and issued an invitation to the International Amateur Basketball Federation to hold its next European championship in Moscow.

The arrival here of a three-man Russian delegation as the Federation met in connection with the current Olympic basketball tournament came as a surprise. Federation officials interpreted the move as a lifting of the sports iron curtain which kept the Russians from entering the 1948 Olympics. The European tournament probably will be held in April, 1949.

The International Federation Chairman of the Olympic Technical Committee said he was "very happy" that the Russian officials were able to attend the meeting. The main business before the Federation is rules.

Generally it was expected that the Federation will vote to liberalize rules along lines of changes that have taken place in the United States during the past 12 years.

The committee meetings taking place today include those considering membership, constitution and by-laws, finances and amateurism.

It was learned that the Federation is trying to make it possible for German teams to compete in international basketball even though the German federation cannot be recognized until the entire thorny German problem is settled.

The Federation meetings will continue on Wednesday and Thursday when reports will be made.—United Press.

WILL TAKE PART IN 1952 OLYMPICS

A Russian sports official said in London today that Russia intends to take part in the 1952 Olympics "if we are invited."

Ivan Nikolicovich Pletchow, head of a three-man Russian delegation to the International Amateur Basketball Federation, said the Russians thought their invitation to form an Olympic Committee and participate in the 1948 Olympics came "rather late."

He also said in reply to a reporter's question that a Russian basketball team would consider going to the United States for a visit and a series of Russo-American basketball games "if we were invited."

A shrug of his shoulders as he answered through an interpreter indicated he did not think such an invitation would be forthcoming and that Russian acceptance would have to be thoroughly thought over first.

Pletchow, who is a Russian delegate on the Rules Committee which is considering revision of international basketball rules to bring them in line with American rules, said he preferred the present international standards.

IAAF DEMANDS

WOMEN MUST BE FEMININE

London, Aug. 10.—The International Amateur Athletic Federation took steps today to prevent female impersonators from competing in the Olympic women's track and field events.

The IAAF Congress accepted a recommendation of the Women's Commission that medical certificate as to sex must accompany the entry of each athlete for both the Olympic and the European championships.

Requests to the IAAF to approve world track and field records also must be accompanied by medical certificate of sex.

No question has been raised in the present Olympics as to the sex of women competitors. At some track meets in the past, however, officials have privately questioned whether women competitors actually were women.—Associated Press.

He said the Russians have no proposals for changes and that they are strongly opposed to any ban against tall players as urged by some Europeans.

"CITIZEN'S RIGHT"

"We act according to the principle that every citizen can play the game no matter how tall or how short he is," said Pletchow.

He said, however, that the tallest player in Russia is 1.98 metres (6 feet

SWEDEN ENTERS SOCCER FINAL

London, Aug. 10.—Sweden, favourites to win the Olympic soccer title, today fought their way into the final—for the first time in the Olympic Games—by beating Denmark by 4 goals to 2 at Wembley Stadium tonight.

The Swedes, who led 4 to 1 at half-time after being down one goal in the second minute of play, deserved their victory.

The Danes stuck manfully to the ball and gave a good display, although they lacked just that extra bit of class which gave victory to their opponents.

Sweden now meet either Great Britain or Yugoslavia in the final. Great Britain and Yugoslavia will fight it out in the other semi-final tomorrow evening.—Reuter.



Zoe Ann Olsen, of Oakland, California, runner-up in the Women's Olympic platform dive shows the form that wasn't quite enough to win from Filipina-American, Mrs Vicki Manalo Draves.—AP Wirephoto.

COUNTY CRICKET

Glamorgan Again Tops The Table

London, Aug. 10.—Glamorgan returned to the head of the county cricket championship table today with their thrilling win by eight runs over Somerset while another thrilling finish, which gave Middlesex a one-wicket victory against Surrey after they had been outplayed for most of the match, enabled Middlesex, holders of the title, to go ahead of Lancashire into fifth place.

Surrey had the consolation of first innings points, as did Yorkshire who were foiled in their bid for victory against Essex by the Yorkshire-born Horsfall.

This young player, has more than once come to the rescue of Essex and he did so again today. Resolute defence and sound hitting whenever the chance offered enabled Horsfall to see his side safely away from the danger of an innings defeat and made a draw certain.

It was this match which gave Hutton his eighth century of the season.

Glamorgan had been sent in first by Somerset, whose policy seemed justified when the Welshmen were out for 70, their lowest score of the season. Maurice Tremlett's eight for 31 in 27 overs was the best feat in his career.

Results of matches played today were:

At Kennington Oval: Middlesex 150 and 103 (Young seven for 47); Middlesex 118 (Alec Bedser three for 23, McMahon three for 20) and 142 for nine (Alec Bedser three for 25.)

Glamorgan replied with 200, but Somerset's bid for the 105 runs needed for victory was foiled by a grand all-round display on the part of Glamorgan, who worthily regained the leading place in the county championship.

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Another Test choice, Jack Young, took seven Surrey wickets for 50 to reach his 100 for the season, but the thrills in this game came in the final hour when Middlesex were struggling to get 142 runs for victory.

They were still 22 runs short when the last player, Gray, joined Sims, who had then made 14 runs. Gray simply held his end while Sims hit and scored the runs necessary for success.

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At Hastings, Sussex drew their match with Kent. Kent 342 and 81 for one. Sussex 230 (Longridge 76).

At Cheltenham: Northamptonshire beat Gloucestershire by 20 runs.

Northamptonshire 177 and 202 for four declared (Brookes 75). Gloucestershire 168 and 107 (Barnett 107, Clarke four for 48).

At Leicester: Leicestershire drew their match with Worcestershire. Worcesterhire 330. Leicestershire 179 (Corrigan 61 and 102 for one).

14 Protests

A brisk wind and keen competition during the fifth day of the Olympic yachting events at Torquay today resulted in a spate of protests which will leave the final results in doubt until late tonight.

Fourteen protests have been made, and officials have to plan a schedule for hearing them. Most of the protests have been routine—for failing to allow enough room when rounding buoys, or for baulking another boat contrary to the rules—but the Norwegian firefly helmsman caused consternation by protesting against a Committee Board.

He claimed his sail number was misread for that of the Australian boat, and that he actually finished 10th, instead of 15th.—Reuter.

Interport Bowls Team

Hongkong's Interport Bowls team to travel up to Shanghai for this year's Interport series will consist of

R. F. da Luz (Club de Recreio), J. S. Landolt (Craigengower), W. Hong Sling (Craigengower), L. Sykes (KBGC), T. A. Madar (KCC), C. S. Rosselot (KCC), and R. P. Phillips (Manager).

Sailing date for the team will be decided after receipt of the full programme of Shanghai Lawn Bowls Association. The team will probably leave for Shanghai the first week in September.

CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Results of the Open Pairs and Singles games played yesterday were:

Pairs.—M. Y. Adal and S. Yusuf beat R. P. Phillips and S. Strango 27-20.

Singles.—R. F. Luz beat B. W. Bradley 21-14.

It's fun to have a Model for a Mother



Small Anthony Ward loves to smile back at his Model-Mother. Her lovely smile is just as captivating to him as it is in her successful modelling.

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Koreans Doing Well In Olympic Boxing

Two Koreans won second round bouts today in the Olympic boxing competitions. Soo Ann Han outpointed Maxim Cochin of France in a flyweight match and Su Sung Nam scored a second round knockout of L. S. Birks of Australia.

In Suk Sung of Korea lost his light weight bout with Breibi of Norway. Sung was floored once in the second round.

In the flyweight division, H. A. German of Holland stopped Maung Myo Than of Burma with a knock-out in the third round.

Soo Ann Han, swift little Korean, fought his way into the third round of the Olympic flyweight boxing competition today by gaining a decision over Maxim Cochin of France.

The tough Korean and the pugnacious Frenchman put on one of the most rousing displays of the day and had the small crowd in an uproar.

Baseball

New York, Aug. 10.—Rex Barney, the kid they call the "new Bob Feller," blazed five-hit 5-2 Brooklyn victory over Philadelphia Phillies today while the real Bob Feller once again got his ears pinned back.

Feller, dropping his 13th game against Detroit Tigers 7-3, missed a great chance to give his first place Indians a lift in the hot American League race. Instead he battled out sadly. Tigers made 10 hits, eight of them off Feller with Jimmy Outlaw getting three singles to set the pace.

Barney, finally hitting the form that may make him the most brilliant pitcher in the Major Leagues, pitched his 10th victory and his fourth in a row.

The big righthander from Omaha, Nebraska, got stronger as he went along yielding a run in the first and then retiring 16 batters in a row until the seventh. A three-run homer by Peewee Reese started Barney off in front in the first inning. Dick Sisler got a homer in the ninth inning.

THE SCORES

National League	R	H	E
Philadelphia	2	5	2
Brooklyn	5	8	1
American League			
Cleveland	3	4	0
Detroit	7	10	1
United Press			

—United Press

J. Joschuk of India was outpointed by F. Szymura of Poland in their light heavyweight first round match.—Associated Press.

THE RESULTS

Bantamweight
1. James Carruthers (Australia)
2. Arnoldo Pares (Argentina)

Lightweight (2nd round)
Maxie McCullough (Eire) beat Ronald Cooper (Britain) on points.

1. Breiby (Norway) on points.
Kang (Korea) on points.

Ralph Zumbro (Brazil) beat August Caulet (France) on points.

Eddie Haddad (Canada) won a decision over E. I. Gray (Ceylon).

J. V. Vissers (Belgium) outpointed W. R. Barber (Australia).

WEIGHTLIFTING

In the Olympic weight-lifting, P. George, of the United States, set up a new Olympic record for the middle-weight class with a snatch of 122½ kilos. F. J. Spellman, also of the United States, equalled the previous mark with a snatch of 120 kilos.

E. K. Kim, of Korea, emulated George's performance and also lifted 122½ kilos to equal with him the new Olympic mark. K. Le Toon of Egypt surprised the old record with a lift of 122 kilos.

Here are the final placings in the Olympic weight-lifting, light-weight class:

1—I. Shams (Egypt) with 302 kilos (Olympic record). 2—A. Armoda (Hungary) with 360 kilos. 3—J. Halliday, Britain, with 340 kilos. 4—J. Terpak, also with 340 kilos.

—United Press

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McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Know Real Meaning Of Common Terms

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

THIS is the last of three articles giving you a glossary of the terms used in bridge.

Ruff—To ruff, when able to do so, to follow suit, or to lead or play as directed when paying a plain suit.

Ruff—To trump a lead of a plain suit. A Cross Ruff occurs when each partner leads a suit which the other can ruff. See Over-ruff.

Run (a suit)—When holding two or more winning cards of a suit, to lead them all.

Secondary Bid—A bid made by a player who has previously passed.

See Saw—A cross ruff.

Sequence—Two or more cards in proximate relation as to denomination.

Shift—To bid or lead a different suit.

Short Suit—One in which the player originally held three cards or less.

Signal—An irregular but conventional play intended to convey information.

Solid Suit—One of such length and strength as to be practically sure of winning every trick in that suit.

Stopped (suit)—A guarded suit.

Stopper—A guarded card.

Take-out—The overbidding (in a different suit) of partner when no adverse bid has intervened.

Tenace—A card with the next higher card but one, or the next lower but one, of the same suit. Major tenace, ace-queen; minor tenace, king-jack; double tenace, ace-queen-ten; imperfect tenace, ace-jack, king-ten.

Throwing the lead—Playing a card which compels another player to take the trick.

Top of Nothing—Highest card of a holding which contains no card of that suit higher than the nine.

Two-suiter—A hand containing two suits both strong enough for an original bid.

Underplay—To duck when following.

Undertricks—Those won by the opponents beyond their book.

Vulnerable—Having won a game towards rubber.

Yarborough—A hand which contains no card higher than a nine.

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1. In music what does the letter "F" signify?

2. Which sport is older, greyhound racing or horse racing?

3. Does an epilogue precede or follow a play?

4. What was the Mafia?

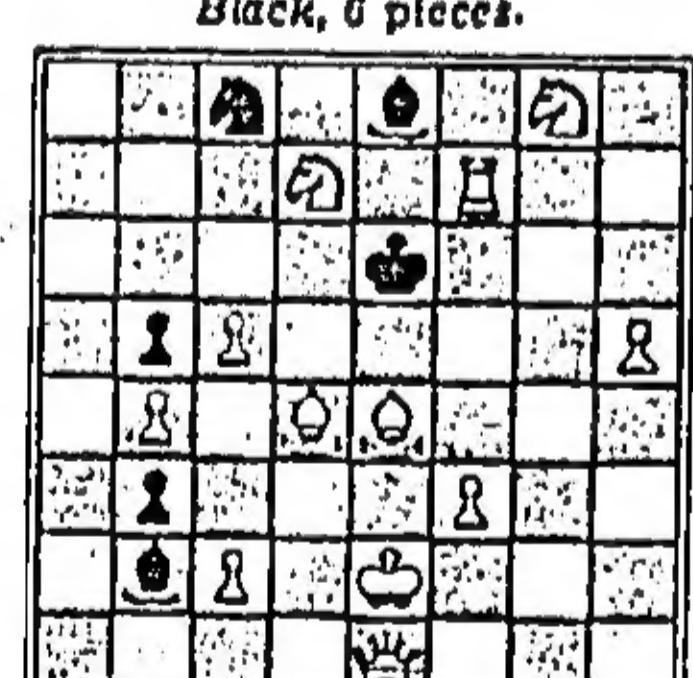
5. Who was President of the United States during the Spanish-American war?

6. What name is given to the science of human development?

CHESS PROBLEM

By E. LINDEQUIST

Black, 6 pieces.



White, 12 pieces.

White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt—Q8, any; 2. Q, R, or K mates.

CROSSWORD

14. Plot the cattle boat? (5)

15. British, Mr. Strickland's workshop. (5)

16. Missing? (4)

17. Give up. (5)

18. Its loose and down in the bean. (8)

19. There's more. (3)

Down

1. Put back in a street. (9)

2. Astrologer. (9)

3. Affirm. (6)

4. To the markman this does not suggest mean girls. (4)

5. Property. (7)

6. Low it may be, but it has an interesting effect. (10)

7. Just a fragment, but what rot it could be. (9)

8. Solution of yesterday's puzzle.—Across

9. In which you can easily trace Glen. (10)

10. Large here. (6)

11. On the way back will find a deviation from the course. (13)

12. See Mac's opening word. (10)

13. Narked. (11)

14. Ocean. (14)

15. Side. (10)

16. Governor of the shire. (7)

EXCLUSIVE 'TELEGRAPH' FEATURE

YOUR BIRTHDAY..... BY STELLA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11.

BORN today, your convictions are strong and although you have a good opinion of your capabilities you are not inclined to boast about them to others. You are not as spectacular in your successes as some others born under this sign. You, however, reach an even greater pinnacle of fame than others.

You are efficient and plan every step carefully, working from one thing to the next with clock-like precision. You have executive ability and can delegate minor work to others, but you are not one to let detail escape your eagle eye. Unless someone else can do a job as expertly as you, yourself, you will find another to do it. In a pinch, too, you can do it yourself, for you are the type of an executive who knows each individual step from bottom to top. This is a fine trait, provided it

does not disintegrate into type of fuss-budget puttering.

By nature both you men and women are sympathetic, kindly and understanding. Your emotional nature, while deep, is not the effusive kind. You may love very deeply and yet not appear to show it. You have great sympathy for those less privileged than yourself. Even though you may not have had many cultural advantages in youth, you have an instinctive love for the beautiful in art, music and literature. Although not especially talented in these fields, you will want to help and encourage, even financially, those who are!

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Be cooperative, and by so doing, take full advantage of some new and perhaps unexpected opportunity now.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Personal affairs, especially those with a social aspect, proceed normally now. Expect better results.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Moderation in all efforts pointed toward familiar, routine work will bring better than average results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—A good day for those on a regular work-a-day routine. Attend to your job at hand. Meet a new and interesting friend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Keep along the same, normal routine as yesterday but make plans for the future. A break is en route.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If you are tolerant toward the opinions and deeds of others, you will find all goes very well indeed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If an opportunity is offered you, consider it. But don't go out searching for one just now. Stick on the job at hand.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Watch your step and you will make better progress than you may think at first. Cautious advancement is indicated.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Impulsiveness, especially on the social front, may lead to disappointment. Select your friends wisely.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Better today, so you may increase your initiative and start moving toward some definite objective.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Tired and you will not run into trouble. A definite improvement is now in sight for your activities.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Conditions are becoming better but still be cautious when it comes to making increased business commitment.

POCKET CARTOON



BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

NO wonder gourmets sprang lightly from their couches, and restaurant proprietors smiled. The news had come that a cargo of "dehydrated whale in powder form" is on its way to England. It can be "mixed with water for hashes."

There remains of course, the question of the wine one should drink with this dish. A kindly Chamberlain of '33, to stand up to the full flavour of the whale-powder? A more subtle Romance Conf? Still in our hashes live their wonted fires.

Hogwash

POOR old Hogwash has decided that there is now only one thing to do with English films. He has an idea that a film could be made of the life story of a great composer. But interwoven with this would be a second strong theme—the composer's trousers are stolen on the morning of his wedding to George Sand. As the jilted girl in Wagner's daughter, Bach pays a call and plays so much of Wagner's music that Schubert is carried out in a swoon, and Gounod is free to marry George Sand. Who is this best man who keeps his face hidden at the altar? Beethoven, old, lonely, and disillusioned. And who is the hero, the composer who never appears until his trousers are stolen, but whose tireless voice explains the film? Can it be—Yes, it is—Brahms, or rather Mr. George Raft, brought over from Hollywood.

What on earth?

THE three-year-old child of a Texas woman no doubt in a fit of temper, but a Great Dane. "Try biting something as small as yourself, you bully," the mother probably said. Whereat the child, I hope, went out and bit an elephant. And if there was a psychiatrist in the place, I'm sure he said that the child was "allergic to elephants," and a dentist commented—"If every child bit elephants we should soon be out of business. Nothing so hardens the gums and strengthens the teeth." Yet, yes. Our prehistoric ancestors were eating dinosaurs in their fingers long before knives and forks were invented, so the question of good table manners is merely relative—as the eccentric peer said when he threw a cutlet under the table to an actress who had gone down to retrieve a couple of peas.

The march of progress

"THE shadow of the atom bomb is over the world." I keep on reading that sort of thing. But a reassuring American has said that the atomic bomb as a destructive weapon is already almost old-fashioned. There are three weapons more powerfully destructive. They are described as bacteriological, biological, and climatological. I suppose that just about covers everything. And no doubt progressive scientific thought is still continuing.

And since at the moment there's nothing like leather and willow, let me leave the world of man and woman and the old and new to call attention to "FROM HAMBLETON TO LORDS'" (Christopher Johnson, 10s. Gd.), in which John Arlott editorially introduces those classics of cricket literature written by Nyrn, Pycroft, and Milford.

Every player and watcher of cricket and every indoor student of the game and its history should treasure this reprint of books long unobtainable.

—Daniel George

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. Forte, meaning loud. 2. Greyhound racing is at least 1,000 years older. It was originated by the ancient Egyptians. 3. It follows the play. 4. A Sicilian secret terrorist society, suppressed by Mussolini. 5. William McKinley. 6. Anthropology.

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

Siamese Want Trade With Japan Resumed

Bangkok, Aug. 10.—A Siamese trade mission will leave shortly for Tokyo to explore the possibilities of resumption of trade between the two countries.

AGREEMENT ON ECA AID TO BRITAIN

Washington, Aug. 10.—Britain has reached agreement with the Economic Co-operation Administration on the terms under which she will accept Marshall Plan loans.

So far Britain has been allocated a total of \$185,000,000 in terms of loans under the Marshall Plan but has not touched any of it.

For these loans, Britain will be charged an interest rate of approximately 2½ percent. This is less than the three percent imposed by ECA recently, but more than the rate of less than two percent charged on Britain's original postwar United States credit.

The loans will also carry an additional clause which will enable Britain temporarily to suspend repayment in years when her balance of payments problem is too burdensome.

Mr Paul G. Hoffman, Economic Co-operation Administrator, meanwhile announced today that the United States was sending a mission to Paris to discuss with the Marshall Plan countries the provision of strategic materials by them to the United States.

The mission will be headed by Mr Evan Just, Director of the ECA Strategic Materials Division. It is expected to leave Washington next Saturday. Talks with American, British and French officials will open next week.

Among the materials needed by the United States for stock-piling are manganese and palm oil.

Reuter.

Luang Thawil Sothaphanit, Director-General of the Foreign Trade Section of the Ministry of Commerce, who will head the mission, said that the mission will seek permission for Siamese traders to purchase Japanese goods with sterling.

At present, although Siam is included in the Sterling area, the privilege of buying Japanese goods with sterling has not been extended to her.

Luang Thawil said that there was no question of bartering Siamese rice for Japanese products since Siam, as a member of the United Nations, had agreed that all her surplus rice would be allocated by the International Emergency Food Council to deficit countries.

The trade mission would, however, explore the possibility of selling to Japan other surplus foodstuffs, including peas, soybeans, and salt-items not subject to international control.

Luang Thawil said that Siam still needed dollars, and if any purchases of Siamese products could be arranged for in dollars, Siam would thus benefit.—United Press.

N.Y. FOREIGN EXCHANGE

	Argentine Peso (Official)	\$0.2077
	Argentine Peso (Unofficial)	2.05

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Demand For Abdication Of Maharaja

STATE TREASURY FUNDS ALLEGEDLY MISUSED

Bombay, Aug. 10.—The princely state of Baroda was reported to be excited today over a demand for the abdication of Maharaja Pratapsinha, the Gaekwar, made on Monday by Dhara Sabha, the State's Legislature, which further called upon the India Government to institute a regency council.

The resolution, passed by a huge majority in the Legislature, said the turf-loving Maharaja "misused and misappropriated" funds from the State Treasury, which in six weeks in April and May this year totalled nearly £2,500,000.

The resolution states that while the Maharaja's privy purse amounted to just over £250,000 he took large loans often without interest from the Treasury.

Doctor Jivraj Mehta, the Prime Minister, said "famine is staring us in the face in part of the state and I am compelled in the interests of the people of the state to draw the attention of the Government of India to these transactions."

Mr Mehta suggested the Treasury be reimbursed from the Maharaja's "longer investments in India and abroad."

The 44-year-old ruler is reputedly second in wealth only to the Nizam of Hyderabad, often described as the world's richest man. The demand for abdication, according to the resolution, was partly due to the "Maharaja's conduct ever since the 'Maharaja's second marriage.' The Gaekwar in 1943 broke the state's anti-bigamy law enacted by his father when he married Princess Sita Devi of Pithapuram, who was earlier boycotted by her family because she married and divorced a Moslem.

MARRIAGE CONDEMNED

Some Indian women condemned the second marriage and the Prime Minister resigned shortly after.

The Maharaja attempted to make his second wife the senior Maharani while the first Maharani with drew from public life.

Both Maharanis have children.

Four months ago, after popular agitation, the Maharaja conceded democratic government to Baroda and left India without forming a new government.

The Maharaja said he was going to Paris for health reasons and was in England for the Derby.—Associated Press.

HYDERABAD RESIGNATIONS

Madras, Aug. 10.—Mr Mallikarjunappa, the third and last Hindu Minister in the Hyderabad Cabinet, today tendered his resignation.

A report received in Madras from Hyderabad and confirmed by local authorities said seven other Hindu members of the Hyderabad Assembly also resigned today.

Mr Mallikarjunappa belongs to a wealthy and powerful section of the Hindu community.

The two other Hindus who earlier resigned from the Hyderabad Cabinet were Mr Ramachar and Mr Joshi.—Associated Press.

RAIDERS ACTIVE

New Delhi, Aug. 10.—India's Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Patel told the Indian Parliament today that armed raiders from Hyderabad state killed 73 persons in 107 recent attacks on Indian territory, wounded 107, and abducted 41.

Reporting increased tension in Hyderabad between the ruling Mohammedan heads and the Hindu population majority, Mr Patel said India is "prepared to meet all possible eventualities."

He said an independent Hyderabad in the heart of India would endanger the "very existence" of the Indian Union and "no compromise is possible in the Indian demands for accession."

Meanwhile a Government source in Madras told the Associated Press today that "the Hyderabad episode will most probably be over before the end of this month."

He refused to give more details, but when asked to comment on the current rumour that the Indian Government has already begun military operations, he remarked "you will see vigorous steps shortly."—Associated Press.

Snipers Active In Holy City

Jerusalem, August 10.—A night of heavy sniping and machine gunning preceded Count Folke Bernadotte's talk today on the demilitarisation of the Holy City and associated problems.

The Count reached Jerusalem on Monday, his fourth visit to the city since his appointment as United Nations mediator.

During the night, an official Jewish source said today, Egyptian troops to the south of Jerusalem attacked the Jewish-held Ramat Rachel settlement with machine guns and mortars and the Jewish garrison returned the fire.

Two inch and three inch mortar bombs were fired—as on the previous night—at Jewish positions on Mount Zion and Arab Legionnaires threw a number of hand grenades at Jewish positions in the Notre Dame compound near the north-western edge of the Arab held old city.

Shots from the old city's wall killed one Jew.—Associated Press.

Preparing For Campaign

Washington, Aug. 10.—President Truman and the Republican Presidential nominee, Governor Thomas Dewey, are mapping final details of their campaign strategy today but both were mum on just when and where they will take the stump.

White House advisers were said to be urging President Truman to accept the bid to address a Labour Day gathering at Detroit. They feel he should renew his attack on the Republican Congress while the record of the special session is still fresh in the voters' minds.

The President's special bullet-proof railroad car is being overhauled at a Navy gun factory in Washington, presumably in preparation for a campaign trip.

Mr Truman's tentative itinerary calls for a visit to New England parts of the South and Mid-West and possibly the West Coast again.—United Press.

Victim Of Indiana Mine Explosion



Rescue workers remove body of one of the fourteen miners killed in the Princeton, Ind., mine explosion in the King's Mine. In addition to those killed, four others were injured in the blast.—AP Picture.

Deliberations On Former Italian Colonies To Remain Secret

London, Aug. 10.—The Conference of special deputies of the "Big Four" Foreign Ministers on the disposal of the former Italian Empire decided to withhold from the press the news of today's session.

The deputies, it is understood, failed to decide whether to give the press news of the critical phase of their deliberations during which recommendations on the future of Italy's former colonies—Eritrea, Italian Somaliland and Libya—will be drawn up and passed to the Council of Foreign Ministers.

They decided, however, that until an agreement was reached on whether the present sessions is to be a secret one, no information is to be released.

According to a usually well-informed source, the case for the news blackout at the present stage of the discussions is based on the view held by the British and American deputies but not supported by the Soviet Union that full reporting might have a disturbing effect on the territories concerned.

It is believed here that besides the inconclusive discussions on secrecy, the deputies also discussed the future of Eritrea.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

London, Aug. 10.—The Manchester Guardian today devoted a lengthy first editorial to a discussion of Italy's former colonies and the work of the Commission which recently completed a fact finding tour of North and Eastern Africa.

The newspaper said that changes of four-power agreement on the future of former Italian Africa is "very slight," adding "the obstacles to agreement" are to be found not in Africa but in Europe" among the disclosures of the great powers.

The newspaper forecast, the United Nations Assembly which meets in Paris next month will probably be left to decide the future of these colonial territories.

Discussing the conditions revealed by the fact finding Commission, the paper declared: "To some extent the Commission's report strengthens Italy's case for having the colonies returned to her since it admits that the Italian Government was trying to do the right things in restoring the land and in developing the country and it praises the skill and energy of the Italian settlers.

"In Libya, however, anti-Italian feeling is too strong and in Cyrenaica the Arabs would certainly fight."

A SUGGESTION

Questioning whether Italy can now afford the capital investment needed to develop these territories, the Manchester Guardian also asked "whether it is fair to Abyssinia to give Eritrea back to Italy, since it was from Eritrea that Italy twice invaded Abyssinia in the past."

"For want of a better solution Cyrenaica may achieve independence under a British trusteeship on the lines of Trans-Jordan—provided Russia agrees. Franco will probably keep the Fezzan which she has already de facto annexed," the paper predicted.

Pointing out that only the rest of Tripolitania with its vital Mediterranean coast appears the real difficulty, the paper made this suggestion:

"If the powers fail to agree, what opportunity is here to add strength and cohesion to the Western Union by making all three colonies a trusteeship administered jointly by the organization of Western Europe, including in this case, Italy."—Associated Press.

COINS SHOW UP IN KWANGTUNG

Ousting National Banknote

Canton, Aug. 10.—Silver and copper coins are again being used in some outlying areas of Kwangtung province, it is reported here, and the currency is said to be ousting the continually depreciating national banknotes.

One of the places where these coins are in use once more is Lok Cheung, a North River county near Shaukwan, the wartime capital of Kwangtung.

There, one copper coin is reported to be fetching CN\$50,000, while silver coins are being used for the purchase of rice and grain.

A piec of rice there is reported to be worth five silver dollars, while a similar quantity of grain costs Silver \$3.50.

SHORAGE OF CASH

Meanwhile, the stringency of cash continues in Canton despite the fact that big denomination notes have been released for circulation.

To ease the situation, it is reported that Customs Gold Units to the value of CN\$1,000,000 each are to be issued for the first time here.

This is expected to push the blackmarket rate of the Hongkong dollar up.

At one time, the Hongkong dollar was worth well over CN\$1,000,000. At present it is a couple of hundred thousand dollars below the one million mark.—Reuter.

LAST VOYAGE

Devonport, Aug. 10.—The 31,000-ton battleship, Valiant, leaves Devonport tomorrow on her last voyage. She is to be towed to the Clyde, Scotland, to be broken up.

Launched in 1914, she took part in the Battle of Jutland in the first World War. After a major refit she played a big part in the Battle of Cape Matapan in the last war and also in the Crete operations and the Sicily and Salerno landings.—Reuter.

COSTLY U.S. AVIATION

Washington, Aug. 10.—The United States is living in the air age and is costing plenty.

The Government will spend close to \$7,000,000,000 on aviation activities in the fiscal year just started.

That means roughly 20 percent of the total federal budget is earmarked for military and civil aviation.

Probably no other category of expenditures can match that figure,

say, of course, the larger one of general national defence, in which aviation would be the biggest item.

The European recovery programme, for example, is slated to cost \$40,000,000,000 in the same 12-month period, which is slightly less than the Air Force budget alone.

Split In Berlin Food Committee

BUT DISTRIBUTION WILL GO ON

Berlin, Aug. 10.—The Berlin Food Committee Office finally split tonight into Western and Soviet sections, although legal unity was maintained by the appointment of a German chief for both offices.

The physical splitting of the administration will in actual fact make no difference to food distribution within the city, which ceased to be unified when the Russians applied their blockade.

Meanwhile, the British Military Government announced that the Russian authorities in Germany are imposing the "maximum difficulties" on British officials trying to arrange for the transport from Western Germany to Berlin of German prisoners of war recently repatriated from Britain.

Repatriated prisoners, whose homes are in Berlin, have been unable to complete their journey as a result of the blockade of the German capital, it was stated.

NEW CONDITION

On July 21 the Russians agreed to provide a special train for the ex-prisoners "within 10 to 14 days." The Russians laid down certain conditions, to which the British agreed.

"Within the past three days, however, the Russians imposed a new condition—that they receive a nominal list of the British escort several days before the train is due to leave."

"This causes the maximum difficulties to the British. It is to be hoped that a new set of 'technical difficulties' will not impose further hardship on these ex-prisoners."

In Karlsruhe today, unanticipated agreement was reached on the fusion of the three southwestern German states of North Wuerttemberg-Baden in the American Zone, and South Wuerttemberg and South Baden in the French Zone.

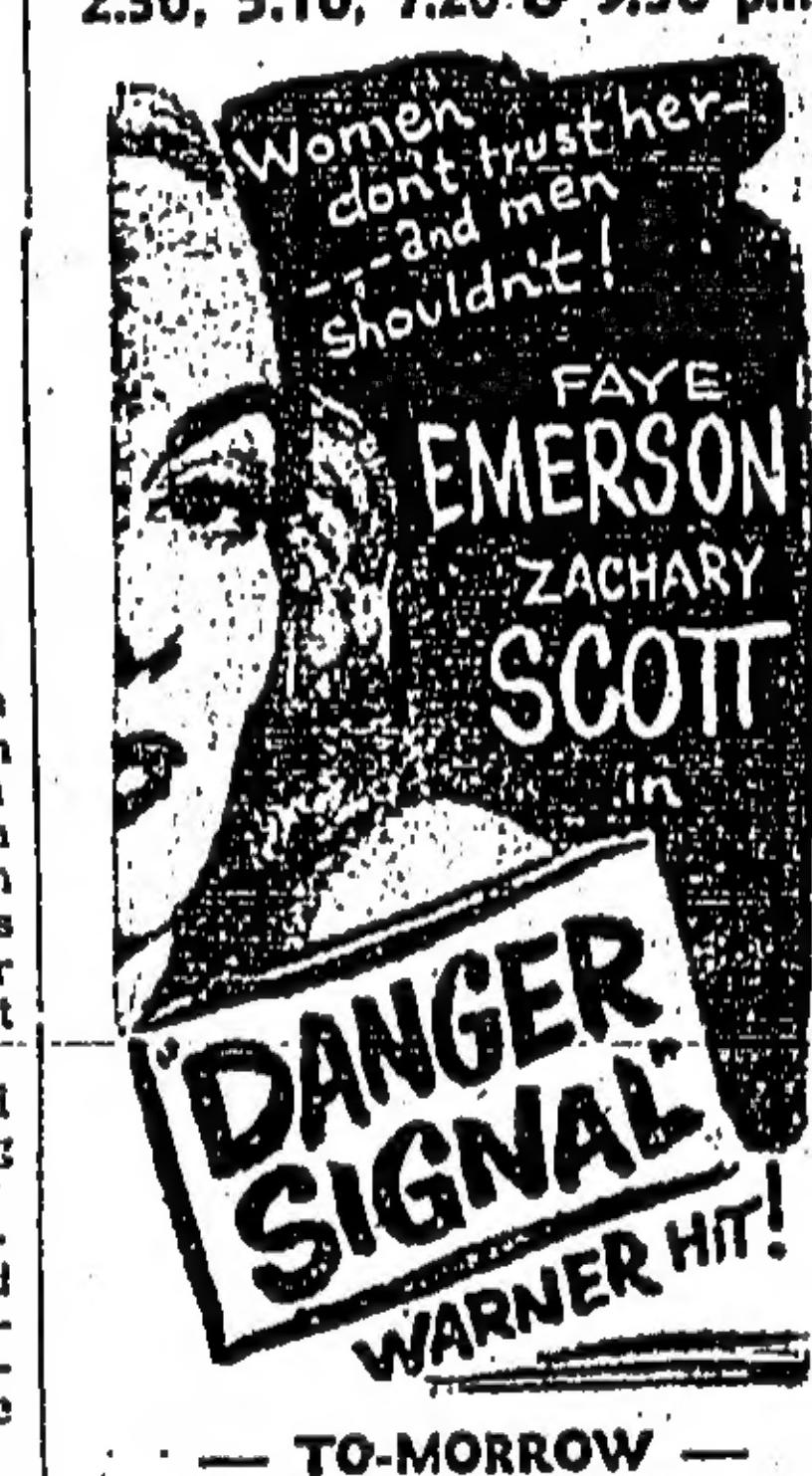
If the agreement reached by a Committee of representatives of the three states is ratified by the three provincial Governments, the proposal for fusion into a single state of Wuerttemberg-Baden with its capital at Stuttgart will be submitted to a plebiscite in the three states.—Reuter.

WALKING AGAIN



Jeannie Rockwell who plunged 40 feet from a circus trapeze to the floor of Madison Square Garden while 15,000 spectators screamed, walks again for the first time since the accident. She spent the greater part of three months in a New York hospital.—AP Picture.

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DEATH

GARDINER—Mrs Winifred Gardner of Harbour View Hotel, at 10.30 p.m. last night died peacefully in her room. Her funeral will be held tomorrow at 6.30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

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ACTIVITIES

Here is a table of estimated aviation outlays by federal agencies in fiscal 1949:

Air Force (total budget)	\$4,081,911,000
Navy Bureau of Aeronautics	1,338,000,000
Air National Guard	55,000,000
Veterans Administration (estimated cost of GI flight training)	200,000,000
Post Office for foreign and domestic air mail (expected to be recovered in stamp sales)	\$8,583,000
Coast Guard	10,752,000
Civil Aeronautics Administration	149,370,000

In addition to the figures in the survey, it is estimated that \$50,000,000 or more will be spent by private sources, and state and local governments in the aviation field in fiscal 1949.

This civilian portion of the federal aviation budget is a very small part of the whole.—United Press.